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In re Patent Application of	MAIL STOP AFTER FINAL
Nobuaki Mihara et al.	Group Art Unit: 3763
Application No.: 10/798,400	Examiner: LAURA A. BOUCHELLE
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Title: CATHETER	

## AMENDMENT/REPLY TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Enclos	sed is a reply for the above-identified patent application.
	A Petition for Extension of Time is enclosed.
	Terminal Disclaimer(s) and the $\square$ \$ 65 $\square$ \$ 130 fee per Disclaimer due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.20(d) are enclosed.
$\boxtimes$	Also enclosed is/are: <u>Verified Translation of JP 2003-070808 &amp; Third Information</u> <u>Disclosure Statement</u>
	Small entity status is hereby claimed.
	Applicant(s) requests continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the  \$\sum \$\\$ 405 \$\sum \$\\$ 810 fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).
	Applicant(s) requests that any previously unentered after final amendments <u>not</u> be entered. Continued examination is requested based on the enclosed documents identified above.
	Applicant(s) previously submitted on for which continued examination is requested.
	Applicant(s) requests suspension of action by the Office until at least, which does not exceed three months from the filing of this RCE, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c). The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i is enclosed.
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